



**\*\*\*14th Annual TEACHER FIELD DAYS\*\*\***

***The Importance of Oak***

*Seeing the forest for the trees!*

Please join us for two days in the woods Tuesday, **June 12** and Wednesday, **June 13, 2018** (9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) at beautiful *Vinton Furnace State Forest* and *Zaleski State Forest*. The Forestry on Ohio's Public Lands Series is offered by the ODNR Division of Forestry to provide your students with timely concepts and to help you meet state standards. Come learn more about our diverse and critically important forest landscape, and why oak trees are the keystone species critical to the ecological and economic well-being of southeast Ohio--all from researchers studying them at Vinton Furnace State Forest.

**The Importance of Oak** instruction and field experience is featured on Tuesday, and a **Project Learning Tree** educator certification workshop is offered Wednesday. You can attend *one (Tuesday) or both* days, but need to attend Tuesday in order to participate Wednesday. **Graduate credit** is available for your purchase if you attend both days and complete the assigned follow up requirements.

Programs are open to ANY teacher/all grades, and take place RAIN OR SHINE. Dress for the woods, weather, and field work. We will be outside Tuesday afternoon for a field trip by hay wagon around the state forest, so wear appropriate footwear, clothing, and bug spray.

Lunches, water, and incidentals are provided in your registration fee.

**Mail \$25 check or MO payable to PLT-Ohio (cash not accepted) by May 31 to:**

**Greg Smith/ODNR Forestry/345 Allen Ave./Chillicothe, OH 45601.** Receipts provided at the event.

PLT books and materials are provided by the ODNR Division of Forestry. We will meet Tuesday at the OSU-Jackson, Ohio center off SR 93 (17 Standpipe Road) and go directly to the Speyside factory tour.

*Ohio University will provide a certificate of participation listing contact hours (\$5), OR, one semester hour of graduate continuing education credit (\$136) is available through OU-Chillicothe for those attending both days AND completing assigned report and lesson plans to be submitted to ODNR by June 28. Credit and assignment details will be provided on site and you will individually apply and pay for OU graduate credit or certificate on your own from home.*

\*\*\*Please contact Greg Smith with the requested information by **e-mail**, phone, or mail it with your \$25 check to register **by May 31**. Class size is limited, with *priority given to 2-day participants*.

Registrants will be sent directions and local camping and lodging information. Please include your **e-mail** for further information distribution. More on forests and PLT: <http://forestry.ohiodnr.gov/>; <http://www.plt.org/>

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**Name and School** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last day of classes \_\_\_\_\_ Grade(s) and subjects \_\_\_\_\_  
School address \_\_\_\_\_  
**Day(s) attending: Tuesday/class and field** \_\_\_\_\_ **Wednesday/PLT** \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone (s) \_\_\_\_\_

**e-mail (good in June)** \_\_\_\_\_  
Special physical or food requirements? \_\_\_\_\_

**All participants: provide this information & mail one \$25 check payable to PLT-OHIO by May 31.** Mailing address above.  
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